

ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER
Tuesday, January 31, 2006

Present: Commissioner President Thomas F. McKay

Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement

Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe

Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.

Commissioner Daniel H. Raley

George G. Forrest, County Administrator

Glenda Dennis, Administrative Assistant (Recorder)

The meeting was called to order at 9:12 am.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS/MINUTES

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of January 24, 2006. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

PROCLAMATION

Present: Health Dept: Karen Russell, RN, MSN, Wellness and Health Promotion Manager; Betsy Tyler, RN, Community Health Nurse; Leslie Payne, Public Information Officer; *Kathleen Reif, Dir., St. Mary's Co. Library; Linda Shepherd, Town of Leonardtown Public Events Coordinator; and Jennifer Drury and Cassie Calenta, St. Mary's College Peer Help Education Group.*

The Commissioners' presented a proclamation to St. Mary's Health Department proclaiming Friday, February 3, 2006, as "National Wear Red Day," a day dedicated to raising awareness of heart disease as the number one killer of women in the country.

PROCLAMATION

Present: Principals: Mrs. Linda Maloney, Father Andrew White; Dr. Carol Weber, Holy Angels-Sacred Heart; Mrs. Patti Gehrig, Little Flower; Mr. Robert Ligday, Mother Catherine Spalding; Mrs. Pat Suit, St. John's; Mrs. Regina Housel, St. Michael's; and Mr. Rick Wood, Ryken High School

The Commissioners presented a proclamation to each school in honor of Catholic School Week. Each principal gave a brief summary of their school and changes over the years.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN (CWSP)

Present: Jeffrey Jackman, Sr. Planner

Tazelaar Property (CWSP#05-232-0017)

Mr. Jackman noted for the record that a public hearing was held on January 10, 2006, to consider a request to amend the CWSP for the Tazelaar property.

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to amend Service Maps III-34 and IV-34 to change the service area category from W-6 and S-6 (service in 6 to 10 years) to W-3D and S-3D (service in 3 to 5 years, developer financed) for 6.22 acres described as Tax Map 34, Grid 16, Parcels 33 and 441, the Tazelaar Property, CWSP #05-132-017, in the 8th Election District, in anticipation of the construction of 15 residential units. Motion Carried 5-0.

Virginia Knolls (CWSP #05-132-009)

Mr. Jackman noted for the record that a public hearing was held on January 10, 2006, to consider a request to amend the CWSP for the Virginia Knolls property.

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley, to amend the Service Map III-34 and IV-34 to change the service area category from W-6 and S-6 (service in 6 to 10 years) to W-3D and S-3D (service in 3-5 years, developer financed) for 20 acres described as Tax Map 34, Grid 2, Parcel 327, Virginia Knolls, CWSP #05-132-009, in the 6th Election District, in anticipation of the construction of 100 townhouse units; and further, to request that the Planning Commission place serious consideration on the second means of access to the parcel, as well as the proposed access to the parcel through an existing parking area, as a matter of safety for the people that live in that community. Motion carried 5-0.

STUDENT PRESENTATION

Present: Lynne Morgan Smoot, Supvr. of Instruction for Fine Arts; Barbara Abell, Principal, Mechanicsville Elem. School; and Kindergarten Teachers: Ms. Terri Pistorio, Ms. Morrone, and Mrs. Russell; and students

Ms. Morgan Smoot explained the curriculum for the kindergarten reading program. Students read their books to the Commissioners and received a commendation for their reading skills. Ms. Pistorio expressed her thoughts on the reading program, and Ms. Abell shared a picture of Mechanicsville's 5th grade class with the Governor of the State of Maryland during their trip to the Senate Building in Annapolis. The class was being honored by the Governor for their poster about inclusionary education.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

- 1. Draft Agendas for February 7 and 14, 2006.**

2. Department of Recreation, Parks and Community Services (*Cynthia Brown, Manager, CSD*)

a. Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement to approve and authorize Commissioner President to sign the budget amendment that decreases the Injury Prevention Grant project budget by \$3,000, in order to align the project budget as the grant was not received. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement to approve and authorize Commissioner President to sign the budget amendment that decreases the Pilot Highway Safety Grant project budget by \$15,000, in order to align the project budget as the grant was not received. Motion carried 5-0.

3. St. Mary's County Board of Education (*Mr. Daniel L. Carney, Chief Financial Officer*)

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe to increase of \$156,453 to the Board of Education FY 2006 Restricted Program Fund for eight (8) grants as submitted, which were approved by the Board of Education on January 11, 2006, and were awarded after the completion and approval of the FY 2006 Approved Budget document. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Department of Economic and Community Development (*John Savich, Dir., DECD; Donna Sasscer, Agricultural Manager*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement to approve and sign a letter to the Maryland Agriculture Land Preservation Foundation showing FY2006 properties ranked using the Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) System. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Department of Land Use and Growth Management (*Jeffrey Jackman, Sr. Planner, DLUGM*)

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley to approve and adopt the resolution to amend Resolution WS 92-01 to assign an EDU to the property of Leonard Harding for Michael Haskins on Airedale Road described as Parcel 104. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Emergency Communications Center (*Timothy K. Cameron, Director and Shirley L. Copado, Mgr. ECC*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement to approve and authorize Commissioner President to sign the 1st amendment to the existing Tower License between Crown Atlantic Company, LLC and St. Mary's County to provide for the incorporation of drawings that show the changed site location of a Maryland State antenna on the Mechanicsville Tower that was relocated at the request of the State of Maryland and to show the affected floor space dimensions in the shelter. Motion carried 5-0.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF: UPDATE ON ADULT DETENTION CENTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Present: *Sheriff David Zylak; Bruce Ornstein, Regional Vice President, Carter Goble Lee Companies;*

and Csaba S. Balazs, AIA, Senior VP, L. Robert Kimball & Associates : Supporting Staff in Attendance:

Capt. Kenneth L. Cusic, Asst. to the Sheriff, Lt. Edward A. Willenborg, Commanding Officer of the Detention Center, Erin Shoemaker, Fiscal Manager, Mary Ann Thompson, Exec. Coordinator

Sheriff Zylak and the consultant team presented plans for the following three concepts for the construction of a new minimum security building on two sites within the St. Mary's County Governmental Center site:

Concept A: Proposed as a free standing horizontal facility with all housing and support components

accessed from a main traverse corridor

Concept B: Connects the existing facility with an enclosed secure corridor to a new two-story minimum security building.

Concept C: Identical to Concept B; however, there is no direct connection to the existing jail and its

location is slightly further south.

The Sheriff's Office requested approval of Concept B so that the vendor may proceed with Phase II of the Local Jail Construction Project. Submission is due to the State of Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services on June 30th, 2006. Following a discussion of the plans, the Commissioners agreed that more time was needed for consideration and to return the request to a future agenda for decision.

Commissioner Raley asked that the Town of Leonardtown be contacted for affirmation of the parking situation.

COMMISSIONERS' TIME

Commissioner Raley

Commissioner Raley said that he was getting comments from citizens regarding the location of the Social Security representatives who periodically come to the County to discuss benefits with citizens. They are located at the Chancellor's Run Hall of Fame Building, which is a long walk from the senior center. *Request that Mr. Forrest look into alternatives.*

Expressed thanks to Mr. Rollins for getting back to him about out-of-county participation at the Recreation and Parks Gymnastics Center.

Commissioner Dement

Attended the Valero meeting at Valley Lee. Some of the concerns are being attended to by Mr. Forrest.

Attended the announcement of funding awarded by the state to support the St. Mary's County Rural Legacy Program at the Sivak Farm in Lexington Park.

Attended the Installation of Officers for Ridge Volunteer Fire Department.

Attended the Soup Cook-off at Forrest Center to raise funds to send students to regional and national Events.

Commissioner Mattingly

Congratulated Ridge Fire Department on their Installation of Officers Banquet.

Attended Installation of Officers and Awards Banquet for the Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Recognized the hard work of the Economic Development Department for their success with the Rural Legacy Program.

Attended MACo Legislative Committee meeting and provided tax information to the Commissioners for their information.

Commissioner Jarboe

Urged everyone to attend the 2006 Public Forum on Clean Energy (a follow-up to the Alternative Energy and Conservation Forum held in 2005) on February 2, 2006, 7:00 p.m., at the Northern Senior Center. The Southern Maryland Greens and the Sierra Club are sponsoring the forum which focuses on options for those concerned with high fuel and electric bills. There will be demonstrations and information on alternative energy sources.

VOTE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to move into Executive Session as provided for in Article 24, Section 4-210(a)11, Real Property. Motion carried, 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Real Property

Present: Commissioner Thomas F. McKay, President

Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement

Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe

Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.

Commissioner Daniel H. Raley

George Forrest, County Administrator

George Erichsen, Director, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation

Robin Finnacom, CEO, St. Mary's County Community Development Corporation

Liz Passarelli, Real Property Manager

Donna Gebicke, Administrative Assistant to the BOCC, Recorder

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)11

Time Held: 12:45 – 1:03 pm

Action taken: The Commissioners discussed real property acquisition.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Commissioners and staff conducted a budget work session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to direct staff to proceed as discussed in Executive Session on matters related to personnel and real property. Motion carried. 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Minutes approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Glenda Dennis, Administrative Assistant